

## REMARKS

### **Co-Pending Patents and Patent Application**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, Applicant and Applicant's attorney hereby make of record in the above-identified patent application the existence of the following commonly owned patent(s) and co-pending patent application(s) that are related to the above-identified patent application:

U.S. Patent No. 6,874,010 B1, issued March 29, 2005, entitled BASE SERVICE ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS; U.S. Patent No. 6,988,249 B1, issued January 17, 2006, entitled PRESENTATION SERVICE ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS; U.S. Patent No. 7,020,697 B1, issued March 28, 2006, entitled ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS; U.S. Patent No. 7,068,680 B1, issued June 27, 2006, entitled COMMUNICATION SERVICE ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/676,584, filed September 29, 2000, entitled OPERATIONS ARCHITECTURES FOR NETCENTRIC COMPUTING SYSTEMS.

**Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to review the claims and the prosecution history, including any Office Actions issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, for U.S. Patent Nos. 6,874,010, 6,988,249, 7,020,697, 7,068,680 and pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/676,584, since the specifications may include common subject matter, and because U.S. Patent No. 7,020,697 B1 incorporates the subject matter of U.S. Patent No. 6,988,249 B1 by reference. In particular, the Examiner is encouraged to carefully review the identified prosecution history of the following patent(s) and patent application(s):**

U.S. Patent No. 6,874,010 B1 – Office Action mailed December 31, 2003, Response filed April 1, 2004; Office Action mailed June 14, 2004, Response filed September 14, 2004; Notice of Allowance mailed November 17, 2004;

U.S. Patent No. 6,988,249 B1 – Office Action mailed March 12, 2004, Response filed June 14, 2004; Office Action mailed September 8, 2004, Response filed December 22, 2004; Notice of Allowance mailed February 8, 2005;

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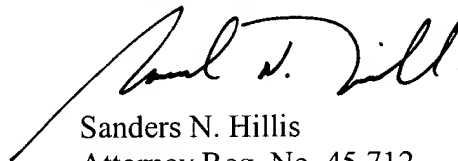
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U.S. Patent No. 7,068,680 B1 – Office Action mailed February 2, 2004, Response filed July 30, 2004; Office Action mailed October 28, 2004, Response filed January 25, 2005; Notice of Allowance mailed April 26, 2005, Response filed July 22, 2005; Notice of Allowance mailed April 10, 2006; and

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/676,584 – Office Action mailed December 3, 2004, Response filed March 2, 2005; Office Action mailed June 3, 2005, Response filed November 16, 2005; Office Action mailed January 9, 2006, Response filed May 11, 2006; Office Action mailed August 2, 2006, Response filed September 26, 2006; Office Action mailed October 13, 2006, Response filed February 14, 2007; Notice of Allowance mailed May 1, 2007, Response filed July 31, 2007; Notice of Allowance mailed October 22, 2007.

No additional fees are believed to be due for the submission of this Preliminary Amendment submitted with the Request for Continued Examination, however, should any fees be deemed required, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 23-1925, as indicated in the accompanying Transmittal.

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